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Honorable Pat Miller
Chairman, Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243-0505

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Re: *Petition of Madison River Communications, LLC and Gulf Long Distance, Inc. to Transfer Ownership and Control; Docket No. 05-00012*

Dear Chairman Miller:

A corporate restructuring is taking place of the ultimate parent company of two Tennessee-authorized telecommunications service providers, as described in the above-referenced docket. An Initial Public Offering of the reorganized parent entity is scheduled to take place in late February. I believe the TRA staff is close to being finished with their review of the petition for approval of the change in ownership and control.

The corporate restructuring will be transparent to consumers and will have no impact on rates or services in Tennessee. It is critical to the company, however, that this restructuring be approved by the TRA prior to the IPO in late February.

As I understand it, the next two regularly scheduled conferences are slated for next Monday, January 31st, and then again on February 28th. I am writing you to respectfully request your consideration of possibly adding this petition to the agenda for this Monday's conference, in the event that staff review is complete.

In the alternative, I would ask that the panel assigned to this case---Chairman Miller, Director Tate, and Director Jones---meet to render a decision on this petition within the first two weeks of February, at the convenience of the Directors' schedules. We would be grateful for your consideration in the matter as the parent company prepares for the Initial Public Offering.

Thank you, and if you have any questions concerning this request, please feel free to call me at 252-2302.

Very truly yours,

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